

Three tanneries produce annually about \$90,000 value in leather.

Fruit and vegetable canning is extensively carried on in the northern suburbs of the city. Several hundred hands finding employment during the busy season.

The Oakland Bag Manufactory, located on the eastern shore of Lake Merritt, is extensively engaged in making sacks, and employs about 500 Chinamen.

There are also iron and boiler works on a limited scale, and manufactories of cigars, boots and shoes, gloves, dental goods, together with many other minor articles.

A woolen factory with a capital of one hundred thousand dollars has been organized, and its managers contemplate commencing work early the ensuing autumn.

The Public Schools.

The public schools of Oakland are a source of just pride to her citizens, affording as they do educational advantages that are unsurpassed in any city on the continent. To the admirable management of Hon. F. M. Campbell, present State Superintendent of Public Instruction, and under whose fostering care the school system of Oakland was developed and improved, much is due.

During the past year, although no new public school buildings have been erected, some considerable additions have been made to the school accommodations. Four rooms each have been added to the Prescott, Franklin, and Lincoln school buildings, affording seats for 595 pupils.

The school census taken in June, 1879, shows the following result:

CHILDREN OF SCHOOL AGE.

First Ward.....	2,158
Second Ward.....	1,252
Third Ward.....	968
Fourth Ward.....	1,319
Fifth Ward.....	435
Sixth Ward.....	695
Seventh Ward.....	1,123
Total.....	7,950
Number for previous year.....	6,679
Increase.....	1,271
Number of children under five years of age.....	3,633
Number the previous year.....	3,259
Increase.....	374
Total number of children in the city under 17 years of age.....	11,583

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